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SUBJECT:WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - JAPAN, JANUARY 13, 1978

TO: EA - MR. HOLBROOKE

FROM: EA/J - RICHARD N. KILPATRICK, ACTING

1. SSC (CONFIDENTIAL)

PREPARATIONS AND BRIEFING BOOKS ARE JUST ABOUT COMPLETE FOR  
THE 16-17 JAN. SSC MEETING IN HONOLULU. THE TONE OF THE  
PROPOSED BRIEFINGS IS QUITE FRANK REGARDING SUCH ITEMS AS A  
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HYPOTHETICAL KOREAN CONTINGENCY, A NATO/WARSAW PACT WAR AND  
US FORCE POSTURE CHANGES BUT, GIVEN THE FORUM AND THE PAR-  
TICIPANTS, WE SEE NO HARM AND SOME MERIT IN THIS APPROACH.  
WE HAVE TOLD DOD THAT THE OVER-ORGANIZED NATURE OF THE  
BRIEFING BOOK MAY MAKE AN INFORMAL, FREE AND EASY DIALOGUE  
MORE DIFFICULT. DOD EXPECTS TO DISCUSS THIS POINT AT THE  
US PARTICIPANTS' MEETING ON SUNDAY (1/15).

2. BRIEFING ON SSC FOR ROK EMBASSY (CONFIDENTIAL)

THE ROK EMBASSY CALLED EA/J TO INQUIRE WHETHER A DISCUSSION OF TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM KOREA WOULD BE A MAJOR ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AT THE SSC MEETING. THE EMBASSY EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN THAT THE US AND JAPAN WOULD USE THE SSC MEETING TO DISCUSS THIS AND OTHER ISSUES OF DIRECT INTEREST TO THE ROK AFTER COORDINATING WITH EA/K, THE DESK BRIEFED AN ROK EMBASSY STAFF MEMBER ON THE SSC, STRESSING ITS INFORMAL, CONSULTATIVE NATURE, GIVING A VERY GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE AGENDA AND REASSURING HIM THAT THE FOCUS WOULD NOT BE ON KOREA.

3. SSC FALLOUT VISITORS (UNCLASSIFIED)

SEVERAL SENIOR GOJ OFFICIALS WILL VISIT WASHINGTON FOLLOWING THE JANUARY 16-17 HONOLULU SSC MEETING. KO MARUYAMA, SECOND-RANKING IN THE JAPAN DEFENSE AGENCY (JDA) WILL BE A GUEST OF THE DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY JANUARY 19-21; TAKUGA KUBO, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL (NDC) WILL SPEND JANUARY 21-29 SEEING SENIOR USG OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS; AND MOFA AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR-GENERAL TOSHIHIRO NAKAJIMA WILL BE IN WASHINGTON JANUARY 18-20 TO SEE USG OFFICIALS.

4. OTHER OFFICIAL VISITS (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAKI WILL SEE UNDERSECRETARY COOPER ON JANUARY 19 AT 1500; VICE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL

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AL AFFAIRS MATSUKAWA (FINANCE) WILL SEE MR. COOPER ON JANUARY 27 AT 1000. DEPUTY MINISTER MIYAZAKI WILL BE COMING FROM THE JANUARY 13 MEETING IN PARIS OF THE OECD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN SPECIAL SESSION (XCSS) IN WHICH UNDERSECRETARY COOPER ALSO PARTICIPATED. THE PRINCIPAL TOPICS OF DISCUSSION AT THE XCSS WERE (1) GENERAL STATE OF ECONOMIC RELATIONS AMONG THE OECD COUNTRIES, AND (2) THE STATE OF PLAY IN THE NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE. WE EXPECT MIYAZAKI IN HIS MEETING WITH UNDERSECRETARY COOPER WILL ALSO WISH TO REVIEW THE OUTLOOK FOR OUR ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS INCLUDING POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANOTHER SUB-CABINET MEETING IN THE LATE SPRING OR SUMMER. CHRISTOPHER

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